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## PREFACE

The Statistical Year Book 2004 is intended to inform the public on the social and economic statistics. It contains a summary of major economic and social indicators for Botswana. This was previously referred as Statistical Bulletin but is now rationalized in a yearly release.

Wherever possible, data up to December 2004 are included in this issue. Some data sets, however, take more time to collect and analyse, therefore are not available up to December 2003. These data sets will be updated in the subsequent issues as data become available.

  
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#### Symbols Used

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- "..." Included in another column

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### Section 1.1: Population

#### Population Distribution and Demographic Indicators

The 2001 Population and Housing Census yielded a de-facto population of 1,680,863, representing 78.62 and 26.69 percents increase over the population at 1981 and 1991 censuses respectively. Males accounted for 48.4 percent (813,625 persons) of the total population while females accounted for 51.6 percent (867,238 persons). The sex ratio has improved from 91.6 males per 100 females in 1991 to 93.8 males per 100 females in 2001 census. In 2001 the sex ratio in urban area was 99.8 i.e. the number of males was almost equal to the number of females. According to the 2001 population census 54.2 percent (910,480 persons) of Botswana's population was living in urban areas, an increase of 8.5 percentage points over 1991 census's figure (45.7 percent). Whilst this growth is partly due to sustainable population growth in traditional urban areas like Gaborone, Francistown and others, most of the growth is attributed to the reclassification of many large villages from rural to urban- see footnote in Table 1.1.1. In 2001 census a large number of population (67.6 percent) was concentrated in the broad age group 0-29 years as compared to 71.0 percent in 1991.

Table 1.1.4 shows some demographic indicators for the four censuses since independence. The Crude birth rate in 2001 was 28.9 lower than the corresponding figure of 39.3 in 1991 while the crude death rate increased from 11.5 in 1991 to 12.4 in 2001. Total fertility rate has gone down from 5.2 in 1991 to 3.2 in 2001. Life expectancy at birth has also gone down from 65.3 years in 1991 to 56.7 years in 2001.

#### Household Size

At the time of the 2001 census, there were 404,706 households with an average household size of 4.10 persons. Of these, males headed 218,007 while 186,699 were female headed. A total number of 234,757 households were enumerated in urban areas and in rural areas there were 169,949 households. Average household sizes for urban and rural areas were 3.81 persons and 4.49 persons respectively. The general features of households are that urban areas have smaller household sizes than rural areas and more households are headed by men (Table 1.1.6).

#### Population Growth

Census results show a decline in the population growth during the inter-census period. The annual population growth between 1991 and 2001 is 2.39 percent compared with 3.50 percent between 1981 and 1991; 1.1 percentage points less than the 1981-1991 inter-census period. Urban areas recorded a higher annual percentage growth of 4.15, compared to rural areas, which recorded 0.67 percent. In urban areas, higher growths concentrated mainly in areas around cities and towns; with Mogoditshane experiencing the highest annual growth of 8.71 percent. Orapa had the lowest growth of 0.36 percent (Tables 1.18 A-C).

#### Population by Occupation and Industry Groups

Working population by occupation group in Table 1.1.9 shows that of the 449,235 working population, 28.0 percent belonged to Elementary Occupations followed by

### Section 1.2: Education

The Primary Education sector recorded a 1.01 percent growth in enrolment from 329,451 to 332,777 pupils between 2001 and 2002, which is .59-percentage point lower than the 2000 to 2001 growth of 1.6 percent. The number of primary schools has shown an increase of 1.5 percent from 2001(750) to 2002 (761). The Pupil Teacher Ratio has declined from 26.5 in 2001 to 25.7 in 2002, an improvement of 3.0 percent.

The secondary school enrolment increased by 2.8 percent in the period 2001(151,847) to 2002(156,024). This shows a constant increase as the previous period 1999 to 2000, during which an increase in enrolment